



August 16, 2017



SUBJECT: Animal Feeding Operation (AFO) Compliance Inspection (Staff Action # 105969)

AFO NPDES Desktop Assessment (Staff Action # 105968)

MMP Inspection (Staff Action # 121686)

Handlos - Arnold, Audubon County (Facility # 67383)

Dear Sir:

Attached is a copy of the report resulting from the Animal Feeding Operation (AFO) facility compliance inspection conducted on August 10, 2017.

I want to thank you for the courteous and professional assistance that David Wittry and Trent Heimerman offered on your behalf during the inspection. Please direct your attention to the requirements and recommendations at the end of the report.

If you have any questions, or feel this report does not represent the conditions at your facility, please contact me via email at wendy.wittrock@dnr.iowa.gov or telephone at (712) 243-1934.

Sincerely,

Wendy S. Wittrock Environmental Specialist

Field Services and Compliance Bureau

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Ken Hessenius, FO#3, AFO Enforcement Coordinator, Spencer, IA (EMAIL)

David Wittry, AMVC (EMAIL)

Handlos - Arnold Confinement File, Audubon County

Enclosure: A

AFO Facility Inspection Report

MMP Inspection Form

Animal Feeding Operation (AFO) Regulatory Status Form

Desktop Assessment Form Photos of Site and Aerial Photo

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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AFO INSPECTION REPORT

	FACILIT	Y DESCRIPTI	ON					
FACILITY LOCATION	Facility: Handlos - Arnold	odenom voje u svetova je se za odane o co od u svetova na vetova svetova svetova svetova svetova svetova svetov		Facility ID#: 67383				
LOCATION	Address: 1849 120 th St.	City:	Audubon	State: IA Zip: 50025				
	PLSS: Section 9, Cameron Town	nship (T81N, R3	35W), Audubon Cou	nty				
OWNER	Name: Lawrence Handlos							
ANIMAL HOUSING TYPE	☑ Confinement ☐ Open Lot ☐ Combined (Confinement & Open Lot)							
ANIMAL	Animal Type(s)	Capacity	Current Head	Number of Bldgs./Pens				
INFORMATION	Swine Wean to Finish	1920 AU	4,800	4				
	Date of Construction: 2012		Date of Expansion:	n/a				
	INSPECTION	ON INFORMA	TION					
INSPECTION								
DATE	This Inspection: August 10, 20	17	Last Inspection: n/a	3				
PERSONS INTERVIEWED	Name: David Wittry		Title: Facility Contact					
NEAREST	Name: Trent Heimerman		Title: Site Contact					
WATERCOURSE	Stream Name: unnamed tributary to the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna Description of Flow Path: west through a grassed waterway to an unnamed tributary to the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna River							
	COMPLIA	ANCE SUMMA	ARY					
OBSERVATIONS	Nutrient Management:							
		Other □No t Mortality Mar	formal plan	Runoff from Feed Storage:				
	Manure Stockpiling:		-	_				
	☐In controlled area☐In compliance with rules			No outdoor feed storage area				
	Not applicable – direct haul	☐Incineratio	n	☐Discharge from feedstock storage area				
	Stockpiling in an uncontrolled area	│	IIai	is controlled				
				Feed storage is located in an uncontrolled area				
	Clean Water Diverted:		a Water of the U.S.	Direct Animal Contact with				
	⊠Yes □No	Via ivianmade ☐Yes	e Conveyance: s ⊠No	Waters of the U.S.: ☐Yes ☑No				
	Adjacent Facilities (by same owne	r/operator): 🔲	Confinement	Open Lot ⊠None				
	Evidence of Discharges: Yes	⊠No						
NPDES PERMIT STATUS	The facility, as observed during the permit. NPDES permit is required:			did not need an NPDES				
COMPLIANCE STATUS	This facility appeared to be in compliance with lowa's environmental regulations at the time of the inspection. Actual conditions may vary over time with the operation and maintenance of the facility. Facility is in compliance: ⊠Yes ☐No							
AUTHENTICATION		8/16/17 Date:	Reviewer: Dan Olso	9/16/17 Date:				

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FACILITY EVALUATION

This inspection initially involved a desk top assessment and a review of the field office files and compliance database. The scheduled onsite inspection included a review of the current Manure Management Plan (MMP), an operation and maintenance discussion, as well as visual observations of the manure storage structure and facility grounds. On August 10, 2017 I met with David Wittry and Trent Heimerman, Facility Contacts to conduct an onsite inspection of this confinement facility. The findings of this inspection are listed in the report below.

BIOSECURITY

Prior to inspecting the facility, I discussed bio-security with the owner or operator. The owner\operator had a facility bio-security policy, which we discussed and I followed. I visited Handlos 4A King Farm prior to this inspection as arranged by the facility contacts. Note from inspector: My last prior visit to a swine facility was at 10:00 A.M. on August 7, 2017. I washed my vehicle on August 10, 2017 at Whetstones Extreme Clean Car Wash in Atlantic at 8:00 AM. I wore clean clothes and rubber boots covered with plastic booties when I entered the facility grounds. My vehicle was parked in the driveway at the entrance to the facility during my inspection.

FACILITY

The Handlos - Arnold facility is located in the SE¼ of the SW¼, Section 9, Cameron Township, Audubon County and consists of 4 buildings. Below, the aerial photograph documents the facility.

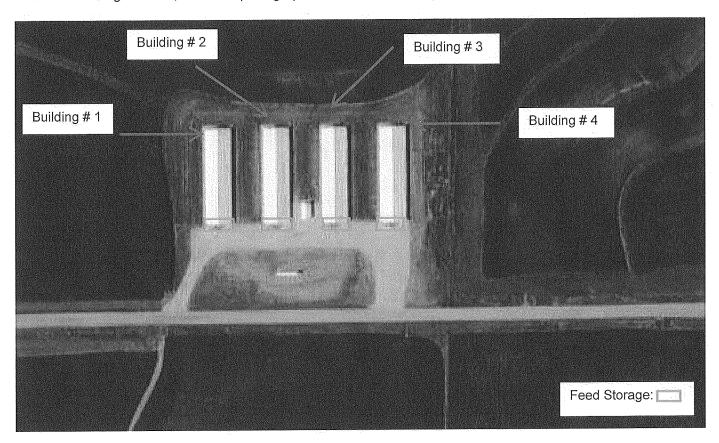


Figure 1: Aerial view of the Handlos - Arnold facility.

The facility building concrete that was visible appeared to be in good condition. No visible signs of cracks or leaks in the concrete were observed.

An MMP inspection was conducted and the contents of the plan met all applicable requirements.

- Manure application and routine application equipment inspections are performed by Handlos Manure Hauling (1533CMS). According to our records, confinement applicators working for the Handlos - Arnold facility currently have valid certifications.
- More than 300 acres are available for manure application.

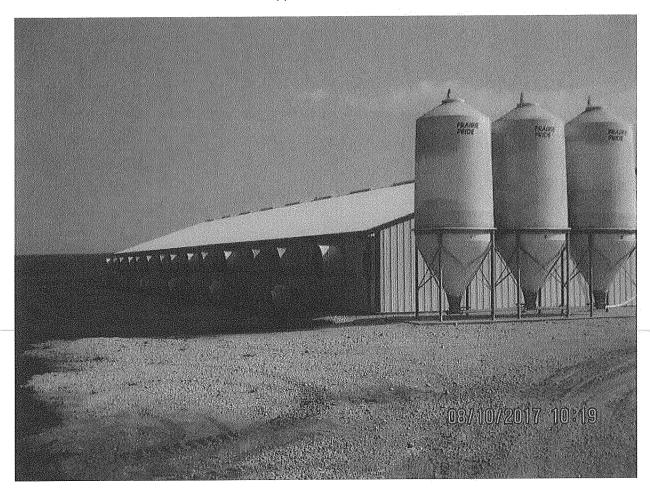


Photo # 1: Facility Building #1 (looking to the northeast).



Photo # 2: Facility Building #1 (looking to the southwest).

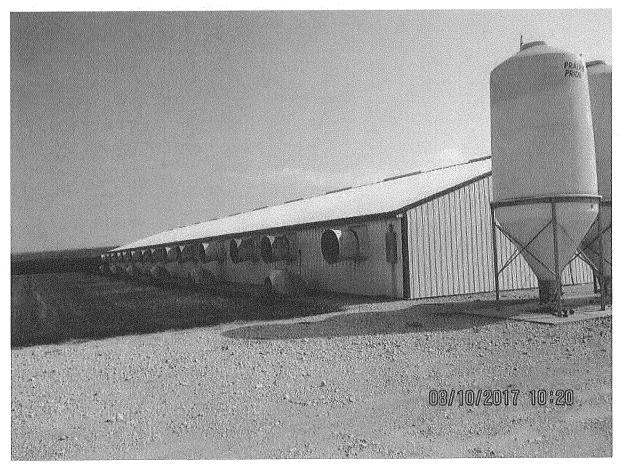


Photo # 3: Facility Building #2 (looking to the northeast).



Photo # 4: Facility Building #2 (looking to the southwest).

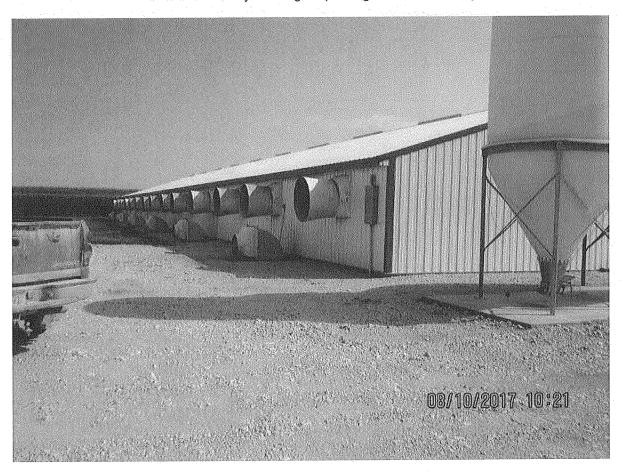


Photo # 5: Facility Building #3 (looking to the northeast).

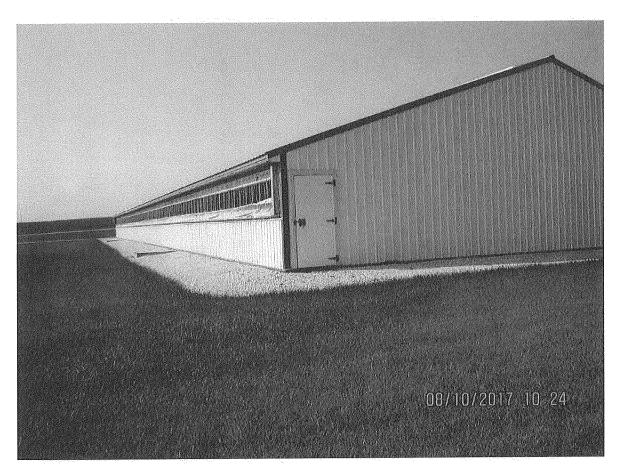


Photo # 6: Facility Building #3 (looking to the southwest).

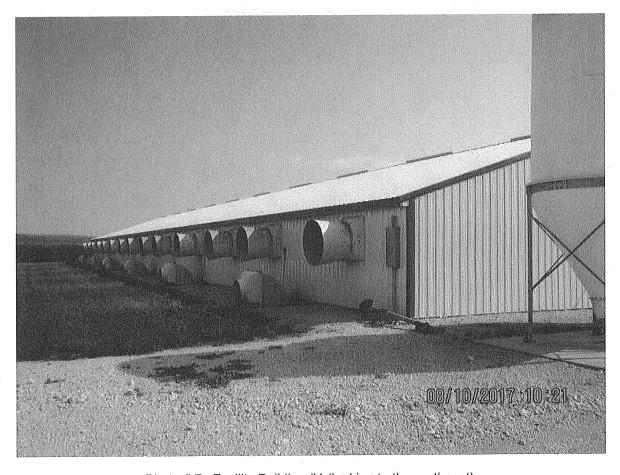


Photo # 7: Facility Building #4 (looking to the northeast).



Photo #8: Facility Building #4 (looking to the southwest).

Manure is stored as liquid slurry in below building pits and is land applied via injection. The pits were last pumped in the fall of 2016. I observed no signs of leakage from the storage facility. The following photograph documents my observations.



Photo # 9: Below building pit and pit fan.

I identified and observed the potential areas and direction of discharge. I did not document any discharge from the confinement facility to a water of the state. The manure storage structure appears to adequately contain manure with no evidence of manure discharges. The manure storage structure also appears to be structurally sound. I recommend you inspect for discharges and needed repairs regularly, as confinement feeding operations must contain all manure produced between periods of application. Any discharges may require a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the operation.

CLEAN WATER DIVERSION

While inspecting your facility, I saw that the current storm water diversion structures and practices appear to be functioning properly. I recommend you inspect and maintain these structures regularly after every rainfall and snowmelt event to ensure proper operation and continued water diversion from your facility.

FEED STORAGE

During the inspection, I observed feed is contained in a bulk bin feed system. The bins, feed tubes, and various attachments appear to be intact and effectively containing feed. I did not observe feed spilled on the ground from feed transfer to the bins. Inspect this part of the operation frequently, as runoff water could carry spilled feed into a water course where it could create violations of state water quality standards. Discharge of such pollutants would potentially require a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The following photographs document my observations.

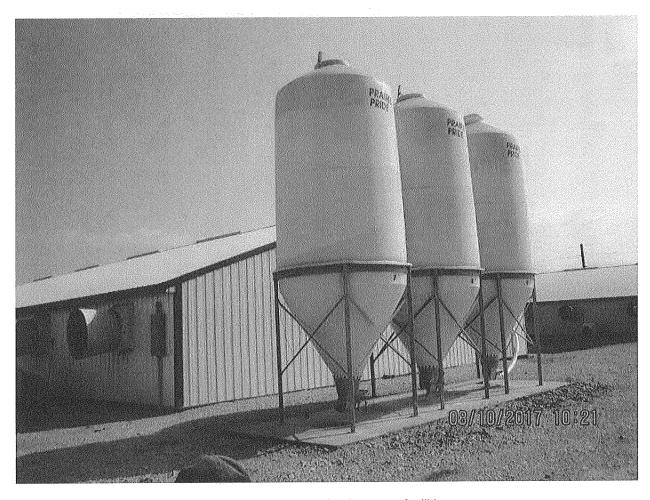


Photo # 10: Covered feed storage facilities.

DEAD ANIMAL DISPOSAL

Mr. Heimerman stated that dead animal disposal is addressed through rendering.

I was not able to observe the rendering pickup location at the time of the inspection due to bio-security. Mr. Heimerman stated that mortalities are taken to the nearby Handlos Ranch site # 60990; however; they were in the process of moving the rendering box to a new location near that site where a concrete pad was being constructed. The rendering location will be observed during the scheduled inspection of the Handlos Ranch site.

MISCELLANEOUS

According to Mr. Heimerman, this site is serviced by a well located northwest of the facility buildings meeting all separation distance requirements.

REQUIREMENTS

No requirements at the time of the inspection.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Periodically inspect the concrete manure storage and feed storage bins for signs of cracks, erosion, and/or discharge.
- Assure dirt work and landscaping is properly addressed to prevent erosion.
- Assure all separation distances are met during land application of manure.
- Assure all soil samples are obtained and the RUSLE2 and P-Index are run for each field prior to application.
- Assure all land application records document the portions of the fields that are applied to.
- Assure all fields that are not continuous are separated for purposed of running the RUSLE2 and P-Index.

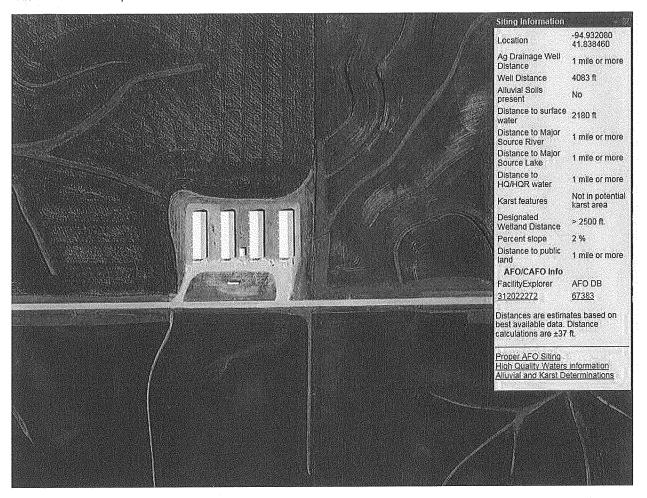
SUMMARY

This facility appears to be well maintained and operated. As the facility ages, preventative maintenance will become increasingly important in order to ensure the facility operates as designed. No violations were noted.

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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AFO Desktop Assessment Form										
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□ Public Mapping Information Google map □ MMP □ FOCD □ Other topogram			Other topograpl	phic maps						
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LOCATIO		ADDRESS: 1849 120 th St.		CITY: Audubon			STATE: IA Z		50025	
		PLSS: Section 9, Cameron To	wnship	(T81N,	R35W)	, Audubon Co	ount	Y		
OWNER		NAME: Lawrence Handlos		The control of the co			errollotelikaresso		A SAME AND A	
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AFO/CAF	O Status		Medium	AFO		Small AF	O.			
	Contin	† All large CAFOs require an onsite insp				had Siller III				
NEAREST		Watercourse Name: an unnamed tributary to the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna River								
WATERC		Distance between facility and nearest watercourse: $\square < \frac{1}{4} \text{ mile}^{\dagger \dagger}$ $\square > \frac{1}{4} \text{ mile}$								
		Description of flow path(s) to watercourse: west through a grassed waterway to an unnamed tributary to the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna River								
		†† All medium combined or open lot AFOs within a ¼ mile of a watercourse and that drain towards that watercourse require an onsite inspection. All medium confinement AFOs that utilize uncovered manure/litter storage and are within a ¼ mile of a watercourse and that drain towards that watercourse require an onsite inspection.								
COMPLIA		Has there been a discharge to a	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE	The state of the s		the last 5 year	rs?	☐ Yes ^{†††}		⊠ No
HISTORY		If yes, did the facility permanen	If yes, did the facility permanently remedy the cause of the discharge?				☐ Yes ☐	No	Unknown	
		††† All medium confinement AFOs that have discharged to water of the U.S. within the last 5 years require an onsite inspection.								
		Has there been a significant rele]	Yes		⊠ No
		If yes, did the release present a s							No	Unknown
		* All medium confinement AFOs that have had a significant release in the last 5 years and the release presented a significant threat of discharging to a water of the U.S. require and onsite inspection.								
								⊠ No		
		If yes, describe:		arosto,					man	
		Has an onsite inspection been co						Yes		⊠ No
		If yes, was the inspection function SOP (i.e., confinement, open fee				llity type speci	fic	☐ Yes**	□ No	□ N/A
		Inspection Date:	Describe	:						
		** No onsite inspection is required if a functionally equivalent inspection has been performed since 11/1/11.								

RUNOFF ASSESSMENT	Is there evidence that manure, litter, or uncontrolled and/or unmanaged?	nter is	☐ Yes	□ No	⊠ Unknown			
	If yes, describe:							
	Are there tile intakes within 100 feet of the production area?							
	If yes, describe:							
	Does the facility utilize uncovered/unco	ontrolled compos	sting areas?	Yes	☐ No	Unknown		
	If yes, describe:							
	Note: If assessor answered "Yes" to any of the c	uestions in this secti	on, then a onsite insp	ection should be	e performed.			
	Assessment Notes/Comments:							
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Note: This assessment was based on the information available on the date of the assessment. Conditions at this facility could change.								



Handlos Arnold, Section 09, T81NR35W, Audubon County



Animal Feeding Operation (AFO) Regulatory Status

Facility Name:	Handlos – Arnold	Facility ID:	6/383	County:	Audubon
	Large CAFO — Discharging Large CAFO — No discharg Large CAFO — Has NPDES Medium CAFO — NPDES P Medium AFO — No NPDES Medium AFO — Has NPDE Designated CAFO — NPDES	e — No NPDES Peri Permit ermit Required Required S Permit	•		
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from those doc	umented during the inspection.				
Inspector: <u>W</u>	endy S. Wittrock	Control of the Contro	Date:	8/16/	17

Regulatory Definitions of Large CAFOs, Medium CAFOs, and Small CAFOs

These regulatory definitions are from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), implementing the federal Clean Water Act.

A Large CAFO confines at least the number of animals described in the table below.

A Medium CAFO falls within the size range in the table below and either:

- "(A) Pollutants are discharged into waters of the United States through a man-made ditch, flushing system, or other similar man-made device; or
- (B) Pollutants are discharged directly into waters of the United States which originate outside of and pass over, across, or through the facility or otherwise come into direct contact with the animals confined in the operation." 40 CFR 122.23(b)(6)(ii)

If an operation is found to be a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the United States, the permitting authority may designate a medium-sized facility as a CAFO as provided in 40 CFR 122.23(c).

A **Small CAFO** confines the number of animals listed in the table **and** has been designated as a CAFO by the permitting authority after determining that it is a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the United States as provided in 40 CFR 122.23(c).

Animal Sector	Size Thresholds (number of animals)				
	Large CAFOs	Medium CAFOs	Small CAFOs		
cattle or cow/calf pairs	1,000 or more	300 – 999	less than 300		
mature dairy cattle	700 or more	200 – 699	less than 200		
veal calves	1,000 or more	300 – 999	less than 300		
swine (weighing over 55 pounds)	2,500 or more	750 -2,499	less than 750		
swine (weighing less than 55 pounds)	10,000 or more	3,000 – 9,999	less than 3,000		
horses	500 or more	150 – 499	less than 150		
sheep or lambs	10,000 or more	3,000 – 9,999	less than 3,000		
turkeys	55,000 or more	16,500 - 54,999	less than 16,500		
chickens other than laying hens (other than a liquid manure	125,000 or more	37,500 – 124,999	less than 37,500		
handling system)					
laying hens (other than a liquid manure handling system)	82,000 or more	25,000 - 81,999	less than 25,000		



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT CHECKLIST FOR AFO/CAFO INSPECTIONS

INSPECTION DESCRIPTION

Date o	f Inspection	August 10, 2017			
Facility	Name Name	Handlos – Arnold		Facility ID#	67383
Facility	Address	1849 120 th St., Au			
Inspec	tor's Name	Wendy S. Wittrod	ck		
			INSPECTION FI	NDINGS	
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	aquatic life)
	Discharges of pollutants to state waters not authorized by an NPDES permit (This priority would include discharges from open feedlots or confinements to waters of the state, not authorized under conditions of an NDPES permit issued by the DNR. An impact on water quality is documented)
	Failure to obtain required NPDES permit (A large CAFO, medium CAFO, or designated CAFO is found to have any documented discharge without, or in violation, of an NPDES permit)
	Unauthorized construction (Construction of AFO/CAFO structures (including open feedlots) without, or contrary to, a permit or other required documentation is also a DNR priority. Proper compliance with AFO siting and construction requirements is essential elements of the AFO program, which helps keep pollutants out of streams)
	Significant violations of NPDES permit and/or conditions in the permit
	(Violations of a significant nature and/or repeated violations of operating or reporting requirements)
	Failure to submit MMP updates (MMPs are the cornerstone of the animal feeding program. The MMP helps ensure that any proposed or current confinement feeding operation over 500 animal units has adequate land to use the manure nutrients it produces)
	Failure to obtain proper manure application certification (The manure applicator certification program is an important component of the AFO regulations. The program ensures that manure is transported and applied properly)
	Other
Date o	f Referral to Legal

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION



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Field Office #3 1900 N Grand Ave Spencer IA 51301 712-262-4177 Field Office #4 1401 Sunnyside Ln Atlantic IA 50022 712-243-1934 Field Office #5 7900 Hickman Rd Ste 200 Windsor Heights IA 50324 515-725-0268 Field Office #6 1023 W Madison Washington IA 52353 319-653-2135

		Manure Management	Plan Compliance	Review - Nor	nsales of Manure		A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY			
		Number of Animals:	Animal Units:	N-based 🔀	Facility Location	Far	cility ID:			
Current: 08/10/2017		4,800	1,920 au	P-based P-based	County: Audubon		673	8.3		
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h.	h. Does P Index no. generated correspond with P Index no. in plan? [65.17(17)]									
i.	Are proper soil sam	pling methods being used to	calculate P Index?[65	.17(16)]						
Recor	ds Review	Are requirements being	met for the following	g items?		Yes	No	N.A.		
j.	Copy of the current									
k.		years (or crop rotation if lon	ger) maintained [65.1	.7(13)]? *10/25/	06					
1.	Methods of applica	tion [65.17(13)a]?								
m.	Dates when manure	e was applied [65.17(13)b]?						П		
n.	Location of manure	application and number of a	cres [65.17(13)c]?							
0.	Manure application	rate [65.17(13)c]?								
р.	Statement of Intent	t for fields not owned or rente	ed [65.17(13)e]		399.46			一直		
Field (Observations of Manເ	ure Storage/Handling/Application	ation							
& Anir	mal Disposal	Are requirements bein				Yes	No	N.A.		
q.	Manure storage stru	uctures appear to be properly	operated & maintair	ned [65.2&65.15]]?					
r.		sed of properly [567 IAC 100.		wa 167.18]?						
	Type: Compost	Incinerator Bu	rial Render	ing 🛛						
Discus	sion Items:	Were the following iter	ns discussed?			Yes	No	N.A.		
s.	Manure release not	ification made within 6 hours	[65.2(9)]?							
t.	Deficiencies, violation	ons, and tier status?								
u.		improvements, environmenta					ПП			
v.	Manure applicator i	s certified [65.19]? Applicator	name/number: Handlo	s Manure Hauling						
w.	Manure applicator is certified [65.19]? Applicator name/number: Handlos Manure Hauling Proper manure application [65.3(2)-(3)]?									
Comn	nents No violatio	ons noted								

SPECIALIST NAE

Wendy S. Wittrock

ON-SITE CONTACT

David Wittry

DATE 08/10/2017